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John A. McCone, Director of Central Intelligence, thanks you for your letter of 23 February 1962, and for letting him know your viewpoints on the subjects you discussed.

The Central Intelligence Agency has never made any public statement on the U-2, or on Frances Gary Powers. Mr. Powers will shortly have a press conference in Washington which should do much to enlighten the American people on what actually did happen.

Again thank you for taking the time to write us.

Sincerely,

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